HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to Medicaid for employed people with disabilities and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Department of Human Services hereby proposes to amend Chapter 75, "Conditions of Eligibility," Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 249A.4.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 249A.4.

Purpose and Summary

This amendment adjusts the federal poverty level (FPL) increments used to assess premiums for applicants and recipients under the Medicaid for Employed People with Disabilities (MEPD) program with income over 150 percent of the FPL.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa. With the exception of premium amounts at the very high end of the income scale, MEPD premiums are not changing. Currently, there are no MEPD members with gross individual income higher than 550 percent of the FPL. For these reasons, there is no fiscal impact.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to rule 441—1.8(17A,217).

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 17, 2018. Comments should be directed to:

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Public Hearing

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b," an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making action is proposed:

Amend subparagraph 75.1(39)"b"(3) as follows:

(3) Premiums shall be assessed as follows:

IF THE INCOME OF THE APPLICANT IS ABOVE:	THE MONTHLY PREMIUM IS:
150% of Federal Poverty Level	\$34
165% of Federal Poverty Level	\$47
180% of Federal Poverty Level	\$56
200% of Federal Poverty Level	\$66
225% of Federal Poverty Level	\$77
250% of Federal Poverty Level	\$89
300% of Federal Poverty Level	\$112
350% of Federal Poverty Level	\$137
400% of Federal Poverty Level	\$161
450% of Federal Poverty Level	\$186
550% of Federal Poverty Level	\$232
650% of Federal Poverty Level	\$280
750% of Federal Poverty Level	\$329
850% of Federal Poverty Level	\$389
1000% of Federal Poverty Level	\$467
1150% of Federal Poverty Level	\$547
1300% of Federal Poverty Level	\$631
1480% of Federal Poverty Level	\$729
1530% of Federal Poverty Level	\$746
1550% of Federal Poverty Level	<u>\$768</u>
1590% of Federal Poverty Level	\$778
1660% of Federal Poverty Level	\$812
1740% of Federal Poverty Level	\$852